

Damon Hatch House
445 Cherry Street,
Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan.

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Owner - Mrs. Charles B. Judd.

Date of Erection - 1845 per Baxter's History of Grand Rapids, published in 1891.

Architect - Unknown.

Builder - Unknown.

Present Condition - Well preserved.

Number of Stories - One with partial second story and partial basement.

Materials of Construction - "River" limestone for outside walls and foundation of main portion. Was stuccoed over in 1908. Interior main walls are stone. The rear portion and the balance of the interior walls are frame. Roof of main portion supported on timber truss.

Other Existing Records - An engraving in Baxter's History of Grand Rapids, published in 1891, shows a low stone house with flat seam tin roof.

Additional Data - The house underwent extended alterations in 1908 when it was purchased by the present owner. The greatest external changes were a red Spanish tile roof which stifles the architectural charm of the building and a regrettable coat of cement stucco. A bed room and bath were added at the west and the sun room at the east. The dining room fireplace was closed up and the old mantel placed in the living room. Both rooms received elaborate plaster cornices and the dining room was paneled.

The front porch is supported in Greek Doric columns whose details bear a very close resemblance to many found in this locality.

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Reviewed Oct. 8 '36 - J.H.W.